## MAY DELAY RAPID TRANSIT.

NECESSITY OF LEGISLATION AT THIS SESSION.

The Rapid Transit Commission Urge the Passage of Their Two Bills Without Merging Them With the Elsberg Bill, Which They Fear Will Defeat Action

ALBANY, March 23.-It was made plain before the Senate Cities Committee to-day that the development of the Rapid Transit system in New York city will be delayed for two or three years unless the Legisses this year the two bills desired by the Rapid Transit Commission, the main point of which is to remove the \$50,-000,000 limitation which the Board of Estimate and Apportionment may authorize the Rapid Transit Commission to spend in building rapid transit underground

Assistant Corporation Counsel Charles L. Guy, on behalf of Mayor McClellan, insisted that there was urgent need for rapid transit legislation at this session, so that new rapid transit roads may be contracted for at once. He said the city authorities favored the two bills of the Rapid Transit Commission, with an amendment providing that the amount of money to be spent by the commission for new roads and the plans and the contracts for their construction must be approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

George L. Rives, of counsel for the Rapid Transit Commission, said the commissioners would not oppose such an amendment. The y were satisfied that there would be no rapid transit legislation this year if their two bills were merged with the Elsberg rapid transit law amendments favored by the Citizens' Union. He and Albert B. Boardman, who also acts as counsel for the Rapid Transit Commission, maintained that while the commission was not opposed to some of the provisions of the Elsberg bill, there were other provisions which, they urged, would arouse such opposition as would defeat the whole problem of rapid transit at this session if it should be linked with the bills of the

The Hapid Transit Commission bills, Mr. Rives said, would permit the commission to utilize the bridges between Manhattan and Brooklyn in laying out rapid transit routes, through which relief for the congestion at the New York end of the Brooklyn Bridge can only be secured at present. He pointed out that the old Brooklyn Bridge the present condition greatly retarded the development of Brocklyn.

Mr. Boardman and Mr. Rives declared that public necessity demanded the passage of the rapid transit bills, so that there would be a certainty of legislation at this session. They declared that the Legislature could afterward pass the Elsberg bill, with the rapid transit bills merged with it, the provisions of the Elsberg bill objected to by the commission to be amended in accordance with the commission's suggestions. Then both the Rapid Transt Commission and the supporters of the Elsberg bill will have secured what they wanted. In de-fining the postion of the Rapid Transit Com-

have secured what they wanted. In defining the postion of the Rapid Transit Commission in repard to the travisions of the Elsberg bill Mr. Rives said:

"The present law permits a lease of a rapid transit road for purposes of operating by a private corporation for a minimum period of thirty-five years and a maximum period of fifty years. The Elsberg bill provides a maximum of twenty years. We do not object to removing the minimum period, but think the maximum period of twenty years is too short to enable us resily to make desirable contracts. The Brooklyn extension contract was for thirty-five years. The teadency of the commission will be from time to time to shorten the period of the leases as fast as deemed advisable.

"There is a provision in the Elsberg bill authorizing the commission to provide for the construction of pipe galleries in connection with the tunnel railroads. Whether or not they are necessary, the commission relating to the taxation of the personal

does not oppose it. As regards the provision relating to the taxation of the personal property of the contractors, the commission believes that question should be left discretionary instead of mandatory. These are the provisions of the Eleberg bill, which the commission approves. There are two provisions which the commission does not approve of unless materially modified.

"Two years ago the Pennsylvania Rail-"Two years ago the Pennsylvania Railroad Company undertook to extend its
lines from New Jersey, under the Hudson
River, into New York city, but insisted
upon a perpetual frauchise. The Legislature passed such an amendment to the
Rapid Transit law. Subsequent to that
the New York and Jersey corporation
started to build a tunnel from Jersey City
to Christopher street, through which its
trolley cars are to be run, and the Hudson and Manhattan Company is building a
tunnel under the Hudson River from Jersey
City tackbaneighborhood of Cortlandt street. City to the neighborhood of Cortlandt street, through which its trolley cars are to be run. So three great enterprises, due to this Pennsylvania Railroad act, have been inaugurated."

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"The proposed bill repeals this Pennsylvania amendment to the law. The repeal of this legislation would give the Pennsylvania Railroad a monopoly of that means to reach the city of New York. You have the Jersey Central, the Delaware, Lackawanns and Western, the West Shore and a number if other roads coming down the Jersey side, or in New Jersey, which should be allowed to compete with the Pennsylvania Railroad. The bill as presented prohibits any such competition. For that reason, among others, the Rapid Transi Commission is entirely opposed to this repeal.

"Regarding the provision of the Elsberg bill that contracts shall be made separately for the construction, operation and main-tenance. I would say that Abram S. Hewitt was responsible for the provision in the present law that the contracts for construction and operation should go together. Mr. Hewitt at that time urged that the thirty together the use of public that the tripe that the tripe that the tripe that the tripe together the use of public money with a private interest would secure honesty in execution, rapidity of completion and ultimate repayment to the city beyond all doubt of the funds it had lent for the construction of the road. This bill wipes out that fundamental feature of the law which commended itself originally to

wipes out that fundamental feature of the law which commended itself originally to the people who supported it."

W. M. K. Cloott, William N. Cohn, ex-Tax Commissioner James M. Wells, Frederick Uhlman, Alderman Peck and representatives of many business organizations in New York city urged the committee to report the Rapid Transit Commission bills and pass them.

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and pass them.

Then, they said the Legislature could do as it pleased with the Elsberg bill. Mr. Olcott said that the present congested condition of traffic in New York city was an insult to the women of the city as it did away with all semblance of modesty.

Calvin Tompkins, ex-Senator John Ford and D. Better were the pain receiver in

and Dr. Peters were the main speakers in favor of the Elsberg bill. Mr. Ford said the Citizens' Union would agree to a lamendment permitting perpetual franchises to be granted for steam railroads to enter New York city under the Hudson River from New derrey.

Senator Lewis of Rochester, a member senator Lewis of Rochester, a member of the Cities Committee, suggested that the committee consider the rapid transit bills in executive session next Tuesday morning and urged that the friends of the different bills get together by that time.

Prof. Brownell Dies of His Wounds.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., March 28 .- George Brewnell, professor in Syracuse University, died at the State Homospathic Hospital for the Insane here to-day of the self-inflicted wounds in the abdomen by a pocket anife which he found in the pocket of a new suit of clothes sent him from homs. Alis body was taken to Syracuse, where the funeral and interment will take place. TO SMOTHER JEROME'S BILL.

Indications That the Assembly Rules Com mittee Will Get Possession of It. ALBANY, March 23 .- Unless the unexpected happens, District Attorney Jerome vill not be permitted to call Reggie Vanderbilt to testify against Dick Canfield. It looks very much as if the Assembly will not give Mr. Jerome the legislation he desires. It is almost surprising hear the lawyers who go to make up the Assembly leaders declare earnestly that they agree with Senators Brackett, Elsberg and Elon R. Brown that the bill is uncon-

stitutional. This morning Senator Dowling's bill, which was responsible for such sensational scenes in the Senate yesterday, was received in the Assembly. It excited no comment and was at once referred to the Assembly Codes Committee, where Assembly codes Committee, where Assemblyman Wainwright's similar bill is now pending. The committee met this evening. Mr. Wainwright went before the committee and asked that it report either Mr. Dowling's bill or his. The committee, however, did not go into executive session. It will hold such a session to-morrow mering.

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The programme to-night, however, is
not to take the bill up at that session. It
appears also to be the programme to let the
Assembly Committee on Rules get possession of the bill, and if that committee does
get it then it will never get before the
House. A leading Republican member of
the lower House said to-night:

"It is extremely doubtful if the Assembly
Codes Committee will find time to act on
the bill at this session, and when the Rules
Committee gets possession of all legislation during the last ten days of the session
it will quite overlook this bill."

Senator Dowling, though, says that
every Assemblymen will be placed on
record for or against the bill, and if the
Codes Committee defers action too long, a
motion will be made to discharge the com-

Codes Committee defers action too long, a motion will be made to discharge the committee from further consideration of the measure. It would be almost folly to make a such a motion when the Rules Committee is in possession, as that requires 100 votes, while another committee can be discharged by a majority of votes cast. Canfield's friends are quite certain that the bill will never get to the Governor.

JEROME TALKS AT YALE. Tells Students Something About Rolling

Up Votes in New York City. NEW HAVEN, March 23 .- District Attorney Jerome of New York spoke to 3,000 Yale men to-night on "Practical Politics." in Woolsey Hall. President Hadley and many of the other university officials attended As to getting into politics, Mr. Jerome

"You must remember that the Lord had reached its limit of usefulness and that in His infinite wisdom, builds a San Juan Hill for only a wery few people." In describing the New York city district

leader of to-day Mr. Jerome said:

"He is almost invariably a temperate man. I don't know a single one that is addicted to liquor in excess. Many of them do not even smoke. But in the practical knowledge that serves in the art of vote-getting halfs a past master.

edge that serves in the art of vote-getting he is a past master.

"While the refermer is discussing great fundamental principles of liberty, the other fellow is getting away with the goods. I was pounded a good deal last year because I remarked that a ceriain gentleman from academic shades who was running for office in New York had no sense of humor, and the question was asked: "What has the Mayor of New York to do with humor?"

"Croker in the city of New York was no accident. He held votes because he was a strong man. And these men, with this power and wielding it for their selfish ends, are a terrible menace to democratic institutions based on universal suffrage. Until we have men willing to make sacrifices for noble ends we will have the district leader ruling us.

"It is up to the educated man to get down and battle with this fellow and beat him at his own game."

JEROME, THE GAMBOLIER. Must Have Been Devastating Monte Carlo at the Age of S.

District Attorney Jerome is now planning how to get his anti-Canfield gambling bill passed in the Assembly. He is going to send printed briefs to all the Assemblystitutionality of the measure.

"You were accused by Senator Brown on the Senate floor of liking to gamble at Ostend and Monte Carlo, he was re-"Yes," he said. "I began young. I was only 8 years old when I was brought back to this country, and I haven't been in

PULLS A GUN IN THE CAPITOL

Europe since.

Woman Invades the Assembly Chamber to Shoot Victor J. Shanley of This City.

ALBANY, March 23 .- What was intended o be a tragic occurrence, but proved to be a most amusing one, was witnessed in the Assembly chamber this morning. Victor J. Shanley, a New York city lawyer with offices at 320 Broadway, was made the victim of the affair. A woman who said she was Anna Ells-

worth came to the Assembly chamber this morning, and calling a page told him to have Mr. Shanley sent to the corridor. Shanley is employed here by the State Civil Employees' Association to urge legislation in their interests. The boy misunderstood the woman and sent Assembly man Chandler of Dutchess to her. She looked him over and said he was not the man Then calling another page she asked him to call Mr. Shanley, who she seemed to think made his headquarters in the Assembly chamber. The boy noticed that Assembly chamber. The boy noticed that the woman was excited and that she had a handkerchief over one hand, in which she appeared to be concealing something. She threw back the handkerchief and revealed a revolver and said to the boy:

"Well, when I see Shanley I will use this on him. He promised to get a divorce from his wife and marry me, and now he has thrown me over."

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Then she espied Shanley standing by the ice water tank near the Speaker's desk and walked deliberately down the centre aisle of the chamber. Speaker Nixon and other members of the Legislature stared in amazement at her. Shanley saw her coming and bolted out of the back door of the chamber. She went after him. Shanley afterward said he met her in the Senate lobby on the other side of the Capitol and walked up to her, saying: tol and walked up to her, saying:
"I hear you want to shoot me. If you

He says she replied: "You are a brave Shanley also says that as he made the

Shanley also says that as he made the heroic statement he walked away from her and she walked the other way, and not a drop of blood was shed.

Shanley said the woman is a chance acquaintance and that he was doing some law business for her. She is a married woman from Connecticut who wants him to get a divorce and marry her. It seems she has become infatuated with him, he says, and has dogged his footsters for says, and has dogged his footsteps for the past two weeks. He was so anxious to get her out of town that he sent a page to the New York Central depot to es-cort her to the 2:15 train. The boy did this and reported that she got on the train.

Incorporated at Albany.

ALBANY, March 23 .- The Turfmen and Breeders' Association of America of New York City was incorporated to-day with Breeders' Association of America of New York City was incorporated to-day with the Secretary of State. The capital is \$100,000 and the directors are: I. D. Crawford, F. C. Hall and George Pauls of New York eity.

The St. Regis Hotel Company of New York was incorporated with a capital of \$2,000,000. The directors are: R. M. Haan and Joseph Haan of New York city, George F. Perkins and W. F. Toffey of Jersey City, N. J., and H. J. W. S. Cooke of East Orange, N. J. PARK AVENUE DAMAGE CLAIMS

MEASURE IN INTEREST OF PROP-ERTY OWNERS ADVANCED.

senate Passes a Hill Giving Republicans Power to Grab an Office in Brooklyn Bill Limiting Investments of Savings Banks Reported in the Senate.

ALBANY, March 23.—Assemblyman Ellis's oill, giving the Park avenue property owners the right to go before the State Court of Claims with their claims for damages as the result of the construction of the Park avenue railroad viaduct, brought forth a remarkable statement in the Assembly to-day. Assemblyman Adams (Rep., N. Y.) said the bill would place the State at the mercy of unscrupulous real estate sharks, who would swear to anything for \$200 a day. He said the Court of Appeals decision in the Jamison case practically decided that the only way to appraise the damage to property would be to estimate the value of the easements, such as light and air, and not according to the value of the adjoining property. In such cases he declared that he had found as an attorney for the Manhattan Elevated Railroad Company that property owners would employ expert real estate men who for a \$200 a day would swear to anything.

Minority Leader Palmer insisted that there should be tacked on the bill an amendment providing that the action of the Legislature in passing the bill should not be construed as passing upon the merits of the claims of the property owners. After a lengthy discussion the amendment was adopted and the bill was advanced to a

Assemblyman F. C. Wood's bill providing for the appointment of a commission to look into disputed land titles in the

sion to look into disputed land titles, in the Adirondacks was passed in the Assembly to-day. New York city owners of private preserves look upon this bill as a blow at their interests in the North Woods, as a great deal of property bought is found to have defective titles, and they have an idea that this is a scheme to bother them.

Senator Brackett's proposed constitutional amendment, which provides for Supreme Court trial commissioners in New York and Brooklyn when the Supreme Court trial calendars are congested and overcrowded, passed the Senate to-day.

The Senate passed by a party vote Senator Marshall's bill, providing that the successor of the present Public Administrator of Kings county, whose term soon expires, cessor of the present Public Administrator of Kings county, whose term soon expires, shall be appointed for a term of five years by the Kings county Surrogate and the two Republican county Judges of Kings county. This means that a Republican will be ap-pointed administrator in place of the in-cumbent, William P. Davenport, who is a Democrat

Democrat.
Senator McEwan's bill, which limits the investment by savings banks of this State to those bonds of the Rock Island railroad which were in existence previous to the new issue, was reported favorably in the Senate to-day. This shuts out from investment by the New York savings banks the big bond issue of the new management of the Rock Island properties. Senator Townsend's bill, permitting savings banks to invest in the bonds of the Utica, Clinton and Binghamton railroad was also reported favorably in the Senate.

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As novel and unique a bill as has been introduced in some time was put in to-day by Assemblyman Mortimer (Dem., Oneida). It appropriates \$5,000,000 out of the State excise moneys to be spent by the State Superintendent of Public Works in erecting rain elevators at Buffalo. The bill says grain elevators at Buffalo. grain elevators at Buffalo. The bill says that by Sept. 15, 1905, the superintendent shall cause to be erected five grain elevators and other terminal facilities at Buffalo with adequate capacity to handle and store the property to be moved over the canal system of the State for the purpose of preventing railroad extortion and com-bination against the trade and commerce of the State."

of the State."

Senator Marshall (Rep., Kings) introduced a bill providing for the publication in the Second Judicial Department of a daily law journal to contain all legal advertisements and to publish daily the court calendars.

At the request of Col. Michael J. Dady, Assemblyman McKeown (Dem., Kings) introduced a bill authorizing the Kings County Surrogate to appoint an assistant transfer clerk at a salary of \$2,500 and three additional clerks at a salary of \$1,800 each. The Surrogate also is given \$2,500 from the

additional cierks at a salary of \$1,800 each. The Surrogate also is given \$2,500 from the inheritanos tax fees.

Assemblyman O'Neill (Dem., Kings) introduced a bill which places trust companies upon the same footing with State banks as to filing reports with the State Superintendent of Ranks. Trust companies are now obliged to report only twice a year as to their condition, while a State Superintendent of Eanks at any time he wishes a report.

Assemblyman F. F. Mathews (Tam.) introduced a bill which evidently is intended to cover the case of some patrolman in New York city who in his early career as a patrolman did something that is not permissible. His bill provides that in an application for promotion from patrolman the investigation of the applicant's record and character shall not be for a period covering more than three years.

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The New York Central Railroad wants to build a four track electric railroad connecting New York city with Croton, a distance of thirty-flye miles, and at the request of that corporation Assemblyman Apgar (Rep., Westchester) introduced such a bill to-day. Two tracks will be used for fast express electric trains and two for slow traffic, running on a leisure schedule.

GOV. ODELL IN A HURRY. Hustling Through His Bill Increasing

Number of Railroad Commissioners. ALBANY, March 23.-Gov. Odell believes in striking quickly when necessity requires. He knows that delays are dangerous at this time of the session. He is aware of the importance of expediting legislation of an important nature at this time. The Governor rules the Assembly Railroads Committee through his personal representative,

Louis Bedell of Orange county. Yesterday Mr. Bedell introduced, at the request of Gov. Odell, the bill increasing from three to five the number of State Railroad Commissioners. The Governor feels positive that it will pass. This was apparent when he offered a commissionership to Col. Michael J. Dady yesterday after-noon, a few hours after the bill had been in-troduced. The Governor fears that if there is troduced. The Governor rears that it there is too much publicity attached to the bill there may be some serious objections to it and influences may be brought to bear that will prevent its passage. So he has ordered that no time must be less.

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To-day the bill was printed. It was hustied on to the files of the members of the Assembly Raliroads Committee, and, without any one having a chance to be heard upon the bill, this afternoon Assemblyman Bedell decided to report it favorably to the Assembly to-morrow.

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The bill must be on the desks of the members for three days, so that, unless the Governor sends in an emergency nessage, it cannot be passed until next week. The Governor was to have sent such a message to both houses of the Legislature to-day, but his advisers told him that it would look too much like undue haste, and he refrained from doing so. The Senate and Assembly Railroads committees will also favorably report to-morrow the five bills desired by the Metropolitan Street Railroad Company.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

THE SUN has received \$3 from "X" of Princeton for the widow of Policeman Enright. A creditors' petition in bankruptcy has been fied against William Beverly Harison, publisher of school books at 65 East Fifty-inth street, who published "The Great Round World." The directors of the Mcrobants' Association met yesterday and adopted resolutions favoring the purchase by the Government of a site for a new post office near the new Pennsylvania terminal. Jane Murphy, the servant who stole \$600 from Mrs. Elizabeth C. Seaman, once known as "Nellie Bly," was sent to Auburn prison yesterday. It turned out that she was an ex-convict who had got her place by a forged letter of introduction. SCHWANDTNER HELD.

Warrants Out for Pole and Allison in Darlington Collapse Case. Paul Schwandtner of the firm of Pole & Schwandtner, who had the contract for the iron construction of the Darlington Hotel, was very much surprised when

he was pulled out of his bed at 2 o'clock

yesterday morning and put under arrest. As soon as the verdict was brought in that held Pole & Schwandtner and Eugene E. Allison "grossly criminally negligent" Coroner Scholer made out warrants for the arrest of Pole, Schwandtner and Allison. The warrant for Schwandtner was turned over to Capt. Lantry of the East Fifty-first street police station. Lantry and Detectives Meehan and O'Connor went to Schwandtner's boarding house at 243 East Seventy-ninth street, aroused Schwandtner and told him that he was under arrest for the collapse of the Darlington.

"Why, I have an appointment with Mr. Train at 10 o'clock this morning," said Schwandtner.

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"Get dressed and we'll help you keep it," the detectives responded.

Schwandtner was taken to Police Headquarters and later to the Coroner's office. Coroner Scholer held him in \$5,000 bail for the action of the Grand Jury.

The East Fifty-first street police reported to Coroner Scholer yesterday afternoon that they had not been able to find Pole and Allison. Schwandtner promised the Coroner to write to Pole, advising him to surrender. Allison's brother, George S. Allison, of 22 South Oxford street, Brooklyn, said last evening that Allison was probably at Atlantic City.

CANAL CONTRACT FOR DADY? The Breeklyn Contractor Confers With

the Governor and Comes Out Smiling. ALBANY, N. Y., March 23 .- Any contractor who wants to get a contract on the \$101,-000,000 barge canal knows where that contract is let and the source from which the approval must come. This was apparent after a conference between Gov. Odell and Col. Michael J. Dady of Brooklyn in the Executive chamber vesterday afternoon.

He knew the man who could give him what ne wanted, and therefore he went direct to ne wanted, and therefore he went direct to the Executive chamber in the State Capitol, and when he emerged from the suite of rooms which serve as the private office for all kinds of business of the Governor, he wore a pleased smile. He told his friends that he had secured what he went after.

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Col. Dady's name may not be mentioned in the contract which will be one of the first let, but he will be in it. He has, it is understood, already formed a partnership with some Brooklyn contractors who will build the section. They knew they had to have a man of influence in the firm to get a contract, and therefore Col. Dady was taken in, possibly as a silent partner. Now the Colonel will do whatever the Governor wants him to do in the fight that the Governor is making to get rid of Timothy L. Woodruff in Kings county.

LOADED PISTOL LEFT WITH BOY

er Blames Dequelin's Parents for Irving Hunter's Death.

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., March 23 .- In a verdict to-day in the death of Irving Hunter, 7 years old, who was killed by his playmate, Theophile Dequelin, who was playing with a loaded revolver, Coroner Wiesendanger severely blamed the Dequelin boy's parents for their carelessness, which he said, led to the accident.

"If I had the legal power to do so," said "If I had the legal power to do so," said the Coroner, "I would certainly bring Mr. and Mrs. Dequelin to account. According to the boy's testimony, they went off to Florida and left a big 38 calibre revolver in his keeping. Think of leaving a loaded firearm in the possession of a boy only 13 years old! He said his mother told him it would be haudy in case there were any burglars in the neighborhood."

Since the death of the Hunter boy his mether has collapsed, and physicians have had hard work to keep her alive. The boy was her only son and his father died only four months ago.

EX-MAYOR GRACE'S FUNERAL Simple Service at St. Francis Xavier's -No Enlogy Delivered.

The body of ex-Mayor William R. Grace tery, Flatbush, after a simple public service in St. Francis Xavier's Church in West Sixteenth street. The high mass of requiem began at 10 o'clock and there was

or the simplicity of the service was in accordance with the wishes of the Grace family. The Rev. Dr. Henry A. Brann, pastor of St. Agnes's Church in East Fortythird street, was the celebrant. The Rev. Dr. Thomas J. Campbell, ex-provincial of the Jesuits was deacon, and the Rev. of the Jesuits, was deacon, and the Rev. Dr. Peter O'Carroll, of St. John's College,

Fordham, sub-deacon.

Bishop McDonnell of Brooklyn, Vicar. General Moody, Vicar-General Lavelle and other members of the clergy occupied places in the chancel.

A score of pews in the centre aisle sufficed to accommodate the family, the pall-

bearers and the Grace servants. Through some misunderstanding no place was resome mannerstanding no place was reserved for the representatives of the city,
and when President Fornes of the Board of
Aldermen and a committee of six of his
fellow members arrived place had to be
made for them in the rear of the church.
The honorary pallbearers were:

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John A. McCall, Gen. Thomas L. James,
Justice Francis M. Scott, James D. Layng,
George W. Perkins, Eugene Kelly, Robert
Grier Monroe, James McGovern, George A.
Morrison, David McClure, Dr. E. L. Keyes,
Sr., and Charles S. Fairchild.
Bourke Cockran, Charles W. Sloane,
Miles O'Brien, Robert B. Roosevelt, Daniel
O'Day, Paul Thebaud, ex-Senator WarnerMiller, E. V. W. Rossiter, Judge Dittenhoefer, ex-Magistrate Brann and a number
of other men prominent in finance or politics of other men prominent in finance or politics were present. There were, besides, dele-gations from the New York Life Insurance Company, the Lincoln National Bank and a large number of Mr. Grace's em-

Obituary Notes.

William Shaw Campbell, former United States Consul in England and on the Conti-States Consul in England and on the Continent, died in Garfield Hospital in Washington on Tuesday, in the eighty-seventh year of his age. He leaves a widow, seventy-seven years old, three daughters, fifteen grandchildren and five great grandchildren. He was born in New York, and first entered the consular service in 1843 at Rotterdam, was transferred to Dresden in 1862, where he remained until 1871, when he resigned. In 1893 he was appointed consul at Newcastle-on-Tyne and served four years.

Hannah Hudson Crawford, the widow of on-Tyne and served four years.

Hannah Hudson Crawford, the widow of the late Judge Randall Crawford of Indiana, died on Tuesday at her home, 268 Ryerson street, Brooklyn, in her ninetieth year. Since the death of her husband in 1865, Mrs. Crawford had resided in Brooklyn. For many years she had been prominent in the woman's work of the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church. A daughter and a grandson survive her.

william A. Lang, an actor, died in Saratoga on Tuesday. He was born in New York city twenty-five years ago. He was the son of the late Samuel Lang, who was also an actor. His mother, who during her professional career was known as one of the Sharp sisters, survives him.

Mrs. Daniel Baker, seventy-five years old, of Livingston, N. J., died at her home there on Tuesday. She was one of the founders of the West Livingston Methodist Church She is survived by three sons and five daughters.

Robert Allison, a retired capitalist of Cin-

daughters.

Robert Allison, a retired capitalist of Cincinnati, president of the City Board of Public Service, former president of the American Type Founders' Company, fell dead in that city yesterday, aged about seventy years.

James Walsh, a well known shoe manufacturer, died yesterday at his home, 24 Lehox road, Flatbush, in his sixty-second year. A son and three daughters survive him.

him.

George C. Merriam, president and treasurer of Foster, Merriam & Co. of Meriden, Conn., died suddenly in Boston yesterday of apoplery. He was 69 years old and a veteran of the civil war. He leaves a widow.

William Robb, 73 years old, died on Tuesday night at his home, 609 Garden street, Hoboken. He did the trucking for the Lackawanna Railroad. He leaves three sons and two daughters.

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SHAW GETS AFTER CLEVELAND.

TALKS ON THE EX-PRESIDENT'S ANTI-TRUST RECORD.

The Secretary the Guest of Providence Republicans-Asserts That Mr. Cleves land Really Did Nothing to Fight the Trusts-Quotes From His Messages.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 23.—Secretary of the Treasury Leslie M. Shaw and Senator Nelson W. Aldrich were the guests of the Young Men's Republican Club to-night There was an immense gathering at the dinner, which was held at Infantry Hall, the largest hall in the city.

There were many ladies in the balconies, and the affair was highly successful in every way. Secretary Shaw was introduced to the assemblage by George H. Webb, secretary of the Chamber of Com-Mr. Shaw devoted his speech entirely

to Mr. Cleveland's attitude when President on the trust question. He spoke of the Northern Securities decision and said: Northern Securities decision and said:

The most amusing effort to avoid a comparison of Republican and Democratic administrations, to the great advantage of the former, appears in a recent interview by ex-President Cleveland. He does not claim to have recommended any anti-trust legislation during either of his administrations. He does not claim that any anti-trust legislation was passed during either of his administrations. He does not claim credit for any litigation ever instituted to suppress any trust or combination during either of his administrations.

He simply seeks to explain why nothing was done, and he places the responsibility therefor upon the courts and the Constitution and upon the fact that the Northern Securities Company was not organized during his administration.

tion and upon the fact that the Northern Securities Company was not organized during his administration. I am very glad that the ex-President has again commenced to take notice, notwithstanding the McKelway letter. Eight years is a long time to remain in mourning. But now that he has voluntarily entered the lists and invited comparisons, he cannot complain if comparisons be made.

Mr. Cleveland was first inaugurated Presient March 4, 1885. Neither in his inaugural address nor in any message does he mention the subject of trusts until immediately preceding the election of 1888. In his last message preceding that campaign he refers to the existence of "combinations frequently called trusts," and closes with this sage conclusion: "The people can hardly hope for any consideration in the operation of these selfish

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The very first bill introduced in the Senate of the Fifty-first Congress was John Sherman's Anti-Trust bill, Senate File No. 1. It passed both Houses and received the signature of Benjamin Harrison.

When hir. Cleveland came back in 1883 he referred to trusts in his inaugural, saying something should be done about them.

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He does not again refer to the subject of trusts in message or proclamation until December, 1898, after the election of William McKinley, when he can throw the responsibility upon another. In this, his last message, he denounces combinations of every description in language as intemperate and inflammatory as was ever employed by his party's more recent candidate for the Presidency. He says:

"Their tendency is to crush out individual independence and to hinder and prevent the free use of human faculties and the full development of human character."

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Nir. Shaw referred to Mr. Cleveland's assertion that he was blocked by the decisions of the Supreme Court. He then quoted from Mr. Cleveland's interview:

The decisions of the Supreme Court, as pointed out in my message, restricted our action against trusts unless they were engaged in interstate transportation. There was a distinct difference drawn between railroads and purely producing combinations. It could not be said that the sugar trust, or the beef trust, or the Standard Oil Company was directly engaged in interstate transportation.

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I think Mr. Cleveland has overlocked the fact that Attorney-General Knox has at this time an injunction in full force against seven corporations, one copartership and twenty-three individuals engaged in the production and transportation of meats and meat products, restraining their purchasing agents to refrain from bidding against each other when making purchases, from bidding up the price of live stock for a few days to induce large shipments and then ceasing to bid so as to obtain live stock at prices less than it would bring in the regular way, from agreeing between themselves upon prices to be adopted by all, from restricting the quantities of meat to be shipped, from requiring their agents to impose uniform charges for cartage, and from making agreements with transportation companies for rebates and other discrimination rates.

Of course this action is based upon the allegation admitted in the demurrer, that these packing concerns are engaged not only in the production of articles entering into interstate commerce, but that the concerns are themselves engaged in interstate commerces. Admittedly, the Federal Government has no jurks dividuals or corporations between individuals or corporations between individuals or corporations of the Constitution giving Congress control of interstate and foreign commerce. Thus what Mr. Cleveland just hast week said cannot be done is an accomplished fact, and the action was brought under the Sherman Act.

Republican measure, promised in a Republican platform, passed by a Republican Congress, signed by a Republican President,

As to Mr. Cleveland's statement that the merger did not exist while he was President, Secretary Shaw made this rejoinder How unfortunate it is for so many of us that opportunities never present themselves in our times. Those who lived before us, and those who come after us, have great opportunities. Of all men we are most miserable. And so Mr. Cleveland bewails his misfortupe, in much the same tone, if not in the same language, that Ben King employs:

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employs:

"Jane Jones keeps talkin' to me all the time,
An' says you must make it a rule
To study your lessons 'nd work hard 'nd learn,
Ah' never be absent from school.
Remember the story of Eitha Burritt,
An' how he clum up to the top,
Got all the knowledge 'at he ever had
Down in a blacksmithing shop?
Jane Jones she honestly said it was so!

Mebbe he did—
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Coourse what's a keepin' me 'way from the top,

O'course what's a keepin' me 'way from the top, Is not never havin' no blacksmithing shop.

"Shockaid 'at Columbus was out at the knees
When he first thought up his big scheme,
An' told all the Spaniards, 'nd Italians, too,
An' fold of 'em said 'twas a dream.
But Queen Isabella jest listened to him,
'nd pawned all her jeweis o' worth,
'nd baught him the Santa Maria 'nd said,
Go hunt up the rest of the earth!'
Jane Jones she honeatly said it was so!
Mebbe be did—
I dump!

O' course that may be, but then you must allow, They gin't no land to discover jest now!" PARK DONKEY MAN FORCED OUT.

Uncle John Loses His Permit-Didn't Understand Polities, Perhaps. It will be a matter of surprise and regret to a good many folks to know that Uncle John Lucas, the old Central Park donkey man, will no longer be in the Park. Uncle John is not dead; he is simply unfortunate. He knows how to give little boys and girls rides on donkeys' backs, but he doesn't

know how to play politics. Uncle John had hired the donkey privilege in the Park for thirty-seven years In fact, he established the business. It cost 10 cents to ride from Uncle John's stable just above the Arsenal to Seventysixth street and back, and Uncle John and the nurse both went along. That also included a handshake with the donkey when you got back to the stable—for all of Uncle John's denkeys were polite, except when you carried a pin out of sight in your blouse and prodded the animal you were on when Uncle John wasn't looking.

Uncle John's permit expired the first of this year. He applied to have it renewed, as he had done many times before. He was informed by Park Commissioner Pallas that the privilege had been granted to another, John Pearl, a livery stable keeper, who kept the donkey stand in the Park at 110th 'street last year. The old man was surprised and grieved. He wondered if he had done anything wrong, but the Park Commissioner told him he couldn't help him. sixth street and back, and Uncle John and

the Park Commissioner told him he couldn't help him.

Uncle John advertised his donkeys for sale. A man in Bridgeport, Conn., happened to read the ad. He remembered Uncle John and that first ride he ever had on Uncle John's donkey. He came on from Bridgeport to relieve Uncle John of one of his old donkeys, as he supposed, and give him a chance to replenish his stable with new stock for future generations.

When he learned of the old man's predicament he bought the entire stable and moved it to Bridgeport.

Pearl, the new donkey man, is young. He will also run the donkey stand which he had last year at 110th street. He is a friend of Senator Frawley.

SEEKS AN INVESTIGATION. Walter P. Phillips Stirred Up by the Red Cross Fund Charges.

Walter P. Phillips of this city has apcealed to Senator Redfield Proctor, chairman of the committee appointed to chairman of the committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the American National Red Cross, to order a hearing of the charges filed on March 17.

The application denies that Mr. Phillips ever served on the committee alleged to have been composed of W. W. Howard, Samuel M. Jarvis and himself, or that he ever received or paid out any part of the \$12,000 said to have been collected by such committee for the Galveston Relief Fund.

Whole Board to Go to Alderman's Funeral. Whether a committee of seven cr the whole board should attend the funeral of Alderman Guthrie was debated at a special meeting of the board yesterday. When the whole board goes it costs the city \$100 or \$500 for their curriages and black gloves. Finally the board appointed a committee of seven to make arrangements for the attendance of the whole board if the family

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NEWARK CONFERENCE OPENED. Bishop Cranston Decides Not to Use St.

Luke's Individual Communion Cups. The Newark Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church was opened vesterday in St. Luke's Church by Bishop Earl Cranston of Portland, Ore. The church has recently purchased a set of individual communion cups and tables, but Bishop. cranston did not favor their u ference out of deference to the ministers who object to innovations and favored the eld communion cup passed from lip to lip. The Bishop did not commit himself as to his own opinions about the matter, but de-cided that the dainty little cups should not be used upon this occasion.

The Rev. Dr. John T. Dodd was reelected secretary for his twenty-fourth term. The Rev. Jacob A. Cole of Newark was elected treasurer for the fourth time.

THREE KILLED BY GAS. Man of the House Turned It On, the Cere-

ner's Physician Says. Adolph Grossman, a stableman, his wife and Rosie Langfelder, a laundress who boarded with them, were found dead yes-terday morning at Grossman's home in the basement of the house at 526 East Eleventh street. Gas was escaping freely from two jets.
Coroner's Physician O'Hanlon says he is

positive that Grossman waited until his wife and Miss Langfelder were asleep and then turned on the gas. Dr. O'Hanlor thinks that Grossman surely went to bed last. Some of the man's neighbors say, however, that Mrs. Grossman had acted queerly recently and may have been responsible for the death of all three. She and Grossman quarrelled often.

Her Act Justifiable Homicide. Mrs. Rosara De Nicola of West Hoboken who shot and killed Dominico Barbetta on Nov. 2 last, was acquitted of murder last night in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, Jersey City. She said she fired the fatal shots in defence of her honor.

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